been conveyed on 15.1.1999 to the proposal of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited for preparation of Detailed Feasibility Report for extension of Vis-akh-Vijaywada Pipeline to Secunderabad.

**Increase ia the petroleum refining capacity**

1795. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA:
SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to increase the petroleum refining capacity during 1999-2000 and 2000-2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) which are the new refineries expected to start production during the next two years and their installed capacities; and

(d) what are the supply-demand figures of petroleum products in the country and the refining capacity in 1998-99?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. During the year 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, the following refining capacity is expected to be added and start production:—

| 1999-2000 | MMTPA |
|---|---|
| Visakh Refinery Expn. | 3.0 |
| Mathura Refinery Expn. | 0.5 |
| Koyali Refinery Expn. | 3.0 |
| MRPL Expn. Barauni Expn. | 6.0 |
| Reliance Refinery (Grass root) Numaligarh (Grass root) | 0.9 |
| | 21.3 |
| | 3.0 |
| 2000-2001 | |
| Essar Oil (Grass root) | 10.5 |

(d) The latest estimate of total production of Petroleum Products is estimated at 68.097 MMT for the year 1998-99. The demand of Petroleum Products during 1998-99 is estimated at 89.48 MMT including parallel marketing scheme sales/ direct imports by Private Parties of 4.81 MMT.

**Production and import of crude oil**

1796. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) production and import of crude oil during last three years;

(b) production by companies other than ONGC and Oil India Limited during last three years;

(c) year-wise, investment by private sector both Indian and foreign for oil exploration during last three years; and

(d) the estimated production of crude oil during the Ninth Plan (year-wise) by private sector, ONGC and Oil India Limited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) and (b) The total production of crude oil, production